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Building on MDA CA site demolished

Dedicated Task Force soon to protect MDA properties: Commissioner

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (RK&BCT)- Officials of the Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) demolished an unauthorised building under construction on a Civic Amenities (CA) site, valued at lakhs of rupees, at Vajamangala, Mysuru Taluk.

Acting on the orders of MDA Secretary L. Johnson, officers and staff carried out the operation between 5.45 am and 8 am today using earth-movers.

According to the official notification issued on Jan. 27, the land in Varuna hobli, Vajamangala village (6 guntas in Survey No. 30/1, 31 guntas in Survey No. 30/2 and 37 guntas in Survey No. 30/6, totalling 1.34 acres) had received final approval for a residential layout plan on July 4, 2019.

Within this plan, 378.18 sq. metres was reserved as a CA site, valued at around Rs. 80 to Rs. 90 lakh, and belonging to MDA. However, Raghavendra P.C. Educational and Charitable Trust had begun unauthorised construction of a school building on the site.

The notification directed that the illegal structure be removed. Following the directive, MDA officials demolished the under-construction building and installed a board marking the land as an MDA CA site.

Alanahalli and Udayagiri Police provided security during the operation. MDA Executive Engineer Nagesh, Assistant Executive Engineers Manjunath, Mohan Kumar and Sampath Kumar, along with Assistant Director of Town Planning Sridhar, Junior Engineer G. Rajashekar and Surveyor Hanumegowda participated in demolition drive.

Rising encroachment incidents

Several residential layouts developed by the MDA have been handed over to the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) and other Local Bodies. However, many properties originally owned by the MDA are nowfacing encroachment.

(See MDA CA SITE on page 7)

Ajit Pawar dies in plane crash

Maharashtra Dy.CM, four others were flying to Baramati from Mumbai

Ajit Pawar

Mumbai, Jan. 28 (Agencies)- Maharashtra Dy.CM Ajit Pawar and 4 others were killed after an aircraft carrying them crashed in Pune this morning. Aircraft reportedly crashed while attempting to land near Baramati. According to Flight Radar, the flight took off from Mumbai at 8.10 am and disappeared from radar around 8.45 am. Reports said that the aircraft pilot had mentioned poor visibility near the runway before the aircraft attempted the landing.

(See PLANE CRASH on page 6)

STAR OF MYSORE

"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Wednesday 28th January 2026

Ayushman Bharat Health Card issued for seniors above 70 yrs

Mysuru, Jan. 28-The NGO Vayah Vikas, in coordination with the Elder Citizens Council, Jayalakshmipuram, Mysuru, recently conducted a camp to issue PM Ayushman Bharat Health Card to senior citizens aged above 70 years free of cost.

The card will cover hospital expenses up to Rs. 5 lakh.

Over 70 senior citizens visited and got benefited at the camp. As some had not linked their Aadhaar card to their mobile number, they could not get the card, stated a press release from K.S. Krishna, Secretary, Elder Citizens Council.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

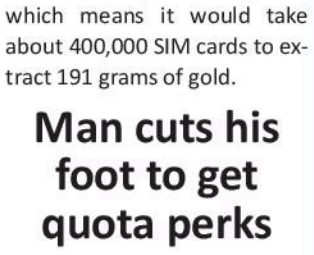
STATE OF BUDGETS - REPAIR TO REDESIGN: ***The fiscal position of Indian States in 2025-26 reflects relative stability rather than comfort. The Reserve Bank of India (RBI)'s*** *State Finances: A Study of Budgets of 2025-26* ***indicates that while States have recovered from pandemic-era fiscal stress, the nature of pressures has shifted from short-term deficit control to deeper structural challenges. Policy-makers now face the task of redesigning State finances to manage demographic transition, rising social expenditure and limits to conventional revenue mobilisation. At the aggregate level, fiscal discipline has largely been maintained, with the consolidated gross fiscal deficit rising from below 3% of GDP in the previous three years to 3.3% in 2024-25 and budgeted at the same level for 2025-26. This deviation reflects higher capital expenditure and the accounting treatment of the Centre's 50-year interest-free loans for capital investment, rather than fiscal laxity...***

The implications for the next budget are clear: the focus must shift beyond aggregate deficit targets towards differentiated fiscal strategies aligned with demographic realities. While continued support for State capital expenditure remains essential, it must be complemented by stronger incentives for human capital investment, institutional reforms and efforts to broaden States' revenue bases through improved tax administration, digital enforcement and rationalisation of user charges, rather than reliance on volatile transfers.

The RBI's study makes it evident that India's State finances are no longer in crisis but are entering a phase of structural stress driven by long-term forces. Fiscal repair has largely been achieved; fiscal re-engineering is now unavoidable and the success of the 2025-26 budget will hinge on whether policy-makers respond with forward-looking, demographically informed and institutionally grounded strategies rather than incremental adjustments to an increasingly strained fiscal architecture. *—U.R. Rajeshwari in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Blogger refines gold from SIM cards



Beijing: A blogger recently claimed to have refined gold worth over 120,000 yuan (about $17,000) from SIM cards and other electronic waste.

A Guangdong-based blogger claimed to have successfully refined 191.73 grams of gold from scrap SIM card chips and other electronic components, using a series of complex processes like strong acid dissolution and electrolytic reduction. He even shared a video showcasing the so-called 'SIM alchemy' process, which made viewers eager to try it for themselves.

The video claims that each card contains about 0.02 grams of gold, but the actual gold content is only 0.47 milligrams, which means it would take about 400,000 SIM cards to extract 191 grams of gold.

Man cuts his foot to get quota perks

Lucknow: After failing the exam to get into medical school twice, a young man decided to cut off his own foot so he could get admitted under the disability quota.

20-year-old Suraj Bhaskar, from Uttar Pradesh, dreamed of becoming a doctor but he failed the NEET exam twice. But he didn't let that stop him.

According to a medical report, Suraj's foot had been cleanly cut off, most likely with a machine. The syringes found in a field near where Suraj was found also suggest that he had used anaesthetics to numb his legs before performing the amputation.

Suraj stands accused of resorting to a shocking gesture to ensure his admission into medical school. Police suspect that he cut off his own foot and made it look like he was the victim of a violent assault just so he could get into medical school under the institution's disability quota.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Planning Even in Emergency GI Surgery

Even in emergencies, controlled decision-making and experience significantly reduce complications.

By Dr. Vasudev Pai H - Senior Consultant – Surgical Gastroenterology and HPB Surgery, Manipal Hospitals, Mysuru

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Young prodigy creates record with versatile learning

Skanda S. Gowda

Mysuru, Jan. 28- Skanda S. Gowda, born on 18th August 2022 in Baburayanakoppal, Mandya district, has set a new record in the kids category by demonstrating exceptional memory skills and early learning ability across a wide range of subjects at the young age of 3 years and 4 months.

His record performance included accurately identifying and reciting 12 months in Kannada, 12 months in English, days of the week in both Kannada and English, 4 shlokas, the English alphabet, 5 Kannada rhythms, 5 English rhythms, 15 general knowledge items, 4 expression faces, 16 parts of the body, 9 animal sounds, 19 fruits, 9 colours, 12 wild animals, 12 domestic animals, 11 vehicles, 10 electrical items, 9 birds, 11 vegetables, 10 names of gods and 7 shapes, writing 1 to 5, A to Q, Kannada Varnamala - 46 , festival -7 , other words - 66, traffic lights indications and Indian currency, in view of his remarkable talent, strong memory skills.

In versatile learning ability at such an early age, Karnataka Achievers Book of Records (KABR) has honoured Skanda, son of B.J. Sanath Kumar and M.K. Priya Darshini.

WATER LEVEL

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Today's level **120.46 feet**	Today's level **2,275.13 feet**	Today's level **2,830.14 feet**
Last year's level **120.39 feet**	Last year's level **2,279.61 feet**	Last year's level **2,836.60 feet**
Yesterday's level **120.68 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,275.18 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,830.07 feet**
Today's Inflow **383 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **442 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **274 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **3,465 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **500 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **200 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***The typical length of tsunami waves is about 100 times the depth.***
- ***The world's first wave power farm was installed in Portugal.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Father: *Son, how could you say to your uncle that he is stupid? Go and tell him that you are sorry.*

Son: *(Going upto his uncle) Uncle, I am sorry that you are stupid!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= Rs. 91.60
1 UK Pound	= Rs. 126.41
1 UAE Dirham	= Rs. 24.94
1 Euro	= Rs. 109.83

VOICE OF THE READER

Danger in waiting on Contour Road, Gokulam

Sir,

The Contour Road in Gokulam is in a pathetic state. It highlights how little we care about lives and public property.

Someone has cut the road — either authorised with permission, unauthorised without permission, or by civic agencies. After completing the work, someone used to place a few stones there.

Recently, potholes were filled on this road. The intelligent contractor, however, left this particular portion unfilled.

Since it has been many days after the work was completed, I cleared the stones a few times, foreseeing the risk, particularly for two-wheelers at night. But someone promptly kept placing the stones back (the person could have spent a few hundred rupees and filled the place with cement).

Over the last few days, it appears the same person has placed old manhole covers dangerously on this spot, putting the public at risk, merely to protect his UGD pipeline.

I hope the Mysore Traffic Police or the civic authorities fix this issue — and not by placing a barricade, for which we are sadly known.

—Ananda Kumar
Mysuru
3.1.2026

BHIO achieves major milestone with 150 successful Robotic Surgeries

Mysuru, Jan. 28- Mysuru-based **Bharath Hospital and Institute of Oncology (BHIO)** has reached a significant milestone by successfully performing 150 robotic-assisted surgeries since the installation of the advanced da Vinci Surgical System in December 2024.

This achievement marks a major leap in cancer care and minimally invasive surgery in the region and notably, BHIO was the first hospital in Mysuru to introduce the advanced da Vinci Robotic Surgical System.

According to Robotic Surgeons at BHIO, people have started to prefer robotic surgery after coming to know about its various advantages.

Robotic-assisted surgery offers high precision and minimally invasive treatment, resulting in reduced post-operative pain, lower risk of infection, minimal scarring and faster recovery.

BHIO is currently the only cancer hospital in Mysuru to adopt robotic surgical technology, bringing world-class treatment closer to patients in the region

Dr. M. Vijaykumar, Senior Surgical Oncologist and Robotic Surgeon at BHIO, highlighted the growing need for advanced surgical solutions in view of the increasing incidence of cancer.

Dr. M. Vijaykumar, Senior Surgical Oncologist and Robotic Surgeon, BHIO, addressing media persons in city recently as Dr. R. Raxith Sringeri, Consultant Surgical Oncologist and Robotic Surgeon and Gowtham Dhamerla, COO, BHIO, look on.

He explained that robotic procedures involve very small incisions, leading to fewer complications and quicker recovery when compared to conventional open and laparoscopic surgeries.

Patients can resume oral intake within 24 hours after robotic surgery, whereas open surgeries often require a delay of four to five days. Faster recovery also enables the early initiation of chemotherapy and radiotherapy, improving overall treatment outcomes.

Dr. R. Raxith Sringeri, Consultant Surgical Oncologist and Robotic Surgeon, said "Mysuru has become a pioneer in revolutionary cancer treatment through robotic surgery. Our Chairman Dr. Ajaikumar's vision is to make Mysuru a global cancer care hub. BHIO was the first to introduce Robotic Surgery and Robotic surgery offers world-class precision, scarless procedures, easier operations for obese patients, faster recovery. Robotic surgery is the future."

Gowtham Dhamerla, Chief Operating Officer (COO) of BHIO, said the milestone reflects the hospital's vision of becoming a centre of excellence in robotic oncology.

Abhivruddhi presents Silk India-2026

Mysuru, Jan. 28- Abhivruddhi will present Silk India-2026, a grand display and sale of exquisite silk, cotton and handloom sarees at Nanjaraja Bahaddur Choultry, Vinobha Road, Mysuru from Jan. 30 to Feb. 8. The 10-day expo will be open for visitors from 10.30 am to 8.30 pm.

India is the number one producer of silk in the world, for which there is a huge demand in national and international markets. Varieties of silk are reared based on climatic and geographic conditions, of which the four prominent ones are Tussar, Eri, Mulberry and Muga.

Tussar and Muga are wild varieties of silk cultivated by silk worms fed on organically grown trees. Bihar, Assam and Chhattisgarh are the States where Tussar and Muga are produced.

Arini silk sarees, Crepe and Georgette silk sarees, Chiffon silk sarees, Tussar silk sarees and suits, Kanjeevaram silk sarees and Wedding sarees, Designer fancy sarees, Darmavaram silk sarees, Raw silk and Tussar, Jute silk sarees, Dhaka silk sarees, Handloom silk cotton sarees, Silk blends sarees & stole, Silk shawls, Uppada, Gadwal, Paithani sarees, Mangalagiri and Pochampalli silk sarees and many more products will be available in this expo.

Hand-woven Matka and Assam Muga Fabrics, Apoorva silk sarees, Baluchari, Dhaka Masli, Gicha sarees, Boutique sarees, Kantha sarees, Zordoshi, Lucknow Chikan Work sarees, Bhagalpur suits, Printed silk sarees, Banarasi sarees, Reshmi plain and Butti sarees, Maheswari, Chanderi silk, Kota silk, Mulberry silk with temple border, Banaras Jamdani and Hand-woven sarees will be on display.

For details, contact Abhinand on Mob: 86607-14252.

Joyalukkas launches nationwide campaign

'Biggest Jewellery Sale of the Year'

Mysuru, Jan. 28- Joyalukkas, the world's favourite jeweller has announced the launch of its nationwide campaign titled 'The Biggest Jewellery Sale of the Year.' This initiative aims to bring exceptional value to jewellery shoppers in India.

Valid from Jan.23 to Feb.22, 2026, the festival reinforces Joyalukkas' commitment to offering unmatched choice, quality and service through its extensive retail network.

With over 190 showrooms across 12 countries, Joyalukkas continues to be the preferred jewellery destination for millions of customers, known for combining global design sensibilities with trusted craftsmanship.

Exceptional Value & Design Variety

During the campaign period, customers will get to enjoy a flat 40% off on making charges (V.A.) across the brand's extensive range of jewellery categories, including Gold, cut and uncut Diamonds, Precious Stones, Platinum and Silver jewellery.

The offer extends across Joyalukkas' vast portfolio of over one million design choices, encompassing Indian traditional styles, contemporary creations, Italian and Turkish influences, ethno-contemporary designs and globally inspired collections. Each piece reflects the brand's hallmark of quality, precision and aesthetic excellence.

Leadership Perspective

Announcing the campaign, Dr. Joy Alukkas, Chairman of the Joyalukkas Group, said, "At Joyalukkas, our philosophy has always been to ensure every customer enjoys a truly joyful shopping experience. Through the Biggest Jewellery Festival of the Year, we are delighted to offer our patrons exceptional value along with the finest and widest selection of jewellery. This initiative reflects our ongoing commitment to delivering superior service, premium ambience and world-class craftsmanship at every showroom."

Elevated Shopping Experience

Beyond the attractive festival offer, Joyalukkas continues to deliver an enhanced retail experience through its state-of-the-art showrooms. Customers benefit from thoughtfully designed interiors, personalised assistance from trained jewellery consultants and premium facilities that make every visit comfortable and memorable.

Comprehensive Customer Assurance

In addition to the festival discounts, every purchase at Joyalukkas is supported by a suite of customer-centric benefits, including free lifelong maintenance, one-year free insurance and assured buyback, reinforcing the brand's promise of trust and long-term value.

Customers can enjoy the celebration of design, value and craftsmanship at their nearest Joyalukkas Showroom.

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NEWS BRIEFS

Power disruption

As Karnataka Power Transmission Corporation Limited (KPTCL) has taken up works on converting single-phase towers to double-circuit (two-phase) towers at Hootagalli-Vajamangala-T.K. Halli (coming under Metagalli limits-Kothari Power line), there will be disruption in power supply tomorrow between 10 am and 5 pm in the following areas: Taluk Co-operative, KIADB Layout and surrounding areas, according to a press release from CESC Executive Engineer, VV Mohalla Division.

Training in 'Technology Clinic'

MCCI has organised a training in 'Technology Clinic' at Institution of Engineers-India (IEI) on JLB Road in city on Jan. 29 and 30 at 10.30 am. The training will benefit MSME production units. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2449810.

Youth Exchange Programme

As per an agreement reached between Indian Foundation for Global Peace, Bengaluru and National Youth Service Council, Ministry of Youth Affairs, Government of Sri Lanka, the Sri Lankan Ministry of Youth Affairs has invited applications from youths (both boys and girls) aged between 18 and 28 years who have a special talent in the fields of Dance, Drama, Music etc., to represent India/Karnataka in the week-long Cultural Youth Exchange Programme to take place in Sri Lanka from Mar. 7 to Mar. 13. Dr. M.P. Varsha, Founder of city's Credit-I (Centre for Rural, Education, Development and Innovative Technologies of India) will lead the Indian team of 15 members. For details, contact Dr. Varsha on Mob: 94489-88746 or 63621-47286.

Free cancer detection clinic

Preethi Centre for Oncology, M.G. Road in Lakshmipuram, has organised a free cancer detection clinic at its premises on Jan. 29. The clinic will be open from 10 am to 8 pm. For details, contact Ph: 0821-4259259.

Ph.D awardee

S. Jaisham has been awarded Ph.D in Management by the Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) for his thesis 'Innovating Markets through Blue Ocean Strategy: A Study of Reliance Jio' submitted under the guidance of Dr. H. Rajeshwari.

Nandi Road atop Chamundi Hill reopens for traffic on trial basis

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (BLU&BS)- Six years after the road leading to Nandi statue from the View Point atop Chamundi Hill in the city was closed for vehicular traffic, following the incidents of back-to-back landslips, the stretch of road has been reopened for traffic, rather on an experimental basis.

This decision of the authorities concerned has triggered a fresh debate, as the road is without asphalt and works on building retaining wall is yet to be completed, with 20% of the works far from completion. The surface remains to be levelled at places, with the related works still being carried out.

It is said that, once the vehicles start moving frequently, the gaps in the surface of the road will be gradually levelled. So the road has been reopened for vehicular movement. Once the works are fully completed, with the construction of retaining wall, along with the steel structure installed to support the concrete, the road will be officially reopened for traffic.

It can be recalled that, landslide had occurred on the very stretch of road thrice in the year 2019, following copious rains. The incident recurred on Oct. 20 and Oct. 31 in 2021, with huge boulders falling in the middle of the road. On Nov. 4 same year, another incident was reported, prompting Public Works Department (PWD) authorities to close the road, prohibiting vehicular movement, to avert any mishaps further.

Tender was floated in two packages to take up the road works in reinforced or retain structure model, with a scientific approach. In the first package, tender was called for an estimated cost of Rs. 9.75 crore, while the second package tender was invited for Rs. 4.9 crore.

According to PWD Engineers, the road has been built in compliance with the suggestions of experts from Indian Institute of Science (IISc). The retaining wall is being built by installing steel, to strengthen the structure, to avert any incident of landslides in the future. Chamundi Hill being a popular destination for religious tourism, has many scenic spots, including monolithic Nandi statue. The tourists and visitors alike, apart from visiting Chamundeshwari Temple, also make it a point to stopover at the view point and also the Nandi statue, making the very stretch of road busy with frequent vehicular movement throughout the day.

Crocodile spotted at Kukkarahalli Lake

A crocodile spotted at Kukkarahalli Lake in the city. Pic. right shows a tourist coming out of the lake.

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (BS)- A crocodile was spotted at the bank of Kukkarahalli Lake in the city recently, triggering panic among morning walkers.

Vikas Gowda, an environmental lover, saw the crocodile, as he entered the lake from the gate on Manasagangothri Road side, leading towards the rear side of Rangayana theatre repertory. The reptile was seen resting on the lake bund.

Though the lake is a known crocodile habitat, they are rarely spotted by the people, who throng the lake, either for morning walk or evening stroll. However, according to Gowda, the crocodile was spotted four times.

It is said that, in the wake of morning temperature, the crocodiles come out of water and rest for a while. Hence, those passing by the lake side, should be cautious. On the other hand, the sign boards warning people about crocodiles in the lake, has been put up by the University of Mysore, the custodian of the lake. Hence, there are binding instructions against anybody resorting to swimming in lake water.

Meanwhile, a tourist was seen attempting to swim in the lake on Monday afternoon.

A passerby, who saw the tourist coming out of water after taking a dip, warned him about sewage water getting mixed with lake water. A video of the incident has since gone viral on social media.

The general public have been urging to depute a security guard to man surroundings of the lake in the mornings too, to restrain anybody from venturing to swim in the water, as the possibilities of falling prey to crocodile, cannot be ruled out.

Veteran athlete passes away

Mysuru, Jan. 28- Veteran athlete and Traffic Warden Prabhamani passed away yesterday. She was 81.

Prabhamani

A resident of Gayathripuram, Prabhamani had been to Hebbal to visit her daughter Kamala Murthy yesterday when she suddenly collapsed and passed away. She leaves behind a son, a daughter, daughter-in-law, grandchildren and host of relatives & friends. Last rites were held at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

Prabhamani had taken part in many National and Intl. Athletic Meets and had won many medals in shot put and discus throw events. She was also awarded Best Traffic Warden Award for serving more than 30 years as a Traffic Warden.

Obituary

Janardhan Rao Jadav

Mysuru, Jan. 28 - Janardhan Rao Jadav (86), retired CFTRI Mechanical Engineer and Instructor at Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering and a resident of J.C. Nagar, passed away last night. He leaves behind his wife Pushpabai, daughters Uma, Manjula and Roopa and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites were performed at the foot of Chamundi Hill this afternoon.

Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa's 127th birth anniversary celebrated

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (MK&BCT)- Kodava Samaja, Mysuru, along with the Field Marshal Kodandera M. Cariappa Fans' Association, Mysuru, celebrated the 127th birth anniversary of Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa.

The programme was organised in front of the statue of Field Marshal Cariappa at the Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Circle (Metropole Circle) on Vinoba Road this morning.

Former MP Prathap Simha offered floral tributes to the statue and said that celebrating the 127th birth anniversary of Field Marshal Cariappa is a matter of great pride for society. His contributions and valour have earned him immense respect across the nation. Kodagu's contribution to the country is unparalleled.

He added that no other land could produce patriots and warriors like those from Kodagu. "Patriotism has grown there as a tradition. Though the Kodava community is small, its service to the Armed Forces is immense. It is a privilege for our land to cherish the memory of a leader like Field Marshal Cariappa, born in such a tradition," he said.

World War II, freedom struggle

Field Marshal Cariappa's service during World War II and the freedom struggle was exemplary to the world. The rank of Field Marshal is the highest in the Indian Army and it is a matter of pride not only for the Kodava community but also for Karnataka.

"He may not have received the Bharat Ratna, but he was honoured with the rank of Field Marshal," Simha remarked. He further noted that Cariappa, along with General Kodandera S. Thimayya, gave democratic India a strong shape and direction.

"Even today, the Kodava community has contributed more than 30 Lieutenant Colonels to the Indian Army, five captains to Indian hockey and over 60 players to the sport. "For this, the community must feel proud and continue to grow. As the community grows, so will the nation and patriotism," he said.

Former MLA L. Nagendra noted that it was Field Marshal Cariappa who made the entire world turn its attention towards India.

"He must be remembered every single day. When his statue was to be installed at Metropole Circle, many obstacles arose, but all were overcome and today the statue stands tall, and this is a matter of immense pride. In the coming years, thousands from the community should gather together to celebrate Cariappa's birth anniversary on a grand scale," Nagendra said.

The event was attended by former Mayors M.J. Ravikumar & H.N. Srikantaiah, former Corporators Pramila Bharath & Maletira U. Subbaiah, Mysuru Kodava Samaja President Ponjanda A. Ganapathy, Kodava Samaja Cultural and Sports Club President Mukkatira C. Ashok and Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Fans' Association President Nayakanda Thimmaiah among others.

T. Ravindra is new KSCA Mysuru Zone Chairman

T. Ravindra

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (VNS) - Senior cricketer and The Mysore Gymkhana Secretary T. Ravindra was selected as the new KSCA Mysuru Zone Chairman for the year 2026-27, according to KSCA Mysuru Zone Convenor P. Srinivas Prasad.

He will also head the Finance Committee of Mysuru Zone. Ravindra, who served in BEML, Mysuru for 40 years, represented KSCA Mysuru Zone and also led BEML cricket team.

Meanwhile, U.H. Guru Prasad has been appointed as the Chairman of Selection Committee (Seniors); A. Venkateshwara, Chairman, Selection Committee (Juniors); M.R. Suresh, Chairman, Selection Committee (Women) & Umpires and Scorers Committee; Mohan Ram, Chairman, Tournament Committee; B.T. Narasimha Murthy, Chairman, Schools/College Cricket Committee.

Zonal Committee: T. Ravindra (Chairman), P. Srinivas Prasad (Convenor), M.R. Suresh, D. Shankar, KSCA Zonal Incharge and KSCA Invitee.

Finance Committee: T. Ravindra (Chairman), P. Srinivas Prasad (Convenor), Shreyas Krishnan (CA), M. Shivakumar (Auditor) and Mallikarjun Nalatwad.

Selection Committee (Seniors): U.H. Guru Prasad (Chairman), S. Dhananjaya, Ravi Ghante and M.G. Kiran Kumar.

Selection Committee (Juniors): A. Venkateshwara (Chairman), K. Somashekar, S. Prabhakar and K.N. Yogesh.

Selection Committee (Women): M.R. Suresh (Chairman), Sudarshan Babu, Brijesh Olivera and K.N. Yogesh.

Tournament Committee: Mohan Ram (Chairman), M.B. Pradeep Simha, S. Dinesh, Dr. H.S. Krishna Kumar, K.M. Kantharaj and Mohan Kumar.

Schools/College Cricket Committee: B.T. Narasimha Murthy (Chairman), S. Ramesh, K.N. Chandrashekar, Murali Mohan and R.P. Harish.

Umpires and Scorers Committee: M.R. Suresh (Chairman),, Rajgopal, C.G. Jagadish Kumar, Dhevanand, Sachin Pandey and K.M. Sharath.

Yogendra for Thiruvananthapuram Meet

Yogendra

Mysuru, Jan. 28 - City's Master Athlete M. Yogendra will be representing Karnataka State in the upcoming 46th Masters Athletics Championship-2026 to be held at Chandrashekharan Nair and University Stadium, Thiruvananthapuram, from today (Jan. 28) to Feb. 1. He will be taking part in 2,000 mts steeple chase race in 60+ years category, according to a press release from Mysore Athletic Club President Chain Singh Raj Purohit.

MCCI calls for better rail links, swift infra works

K.B. Lingaraju

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (BCT)- The **Mysore Chamber of Commerce and Industry (MCCI)** has submitted a set of recommendations to South Western Railway (SWR), calling for improved train connectivity and infrastructure upgrades.

In a letter to SWR General Manager, Hubballi, and the Divisional Railway Manager (DRM) in Mysuru, MCCI President K.B. Lingaraju highlighted several long-pending demands from business community and commuters.

Train frequencies

The MCCI has called for increasing the frequency of the Mysuru-Ajmer Train (No. 16209) from twice a week to four times a week while also rescheduling its current inconvenient arrival time of 2.25 am.

He sought introduction of a new bi-weekly service via Hassan. MCCI reiterated its long-pending demand to double the frequency of Sharavathi Express (Mysuru-Mumbai, No. 11036) from once a week to twice a week.

He pressed for either a new superfast train to New Delhi or the extension of Train No. 12629 (Nizamuddin Express) to originate from Mysuru instead of Yashwanthpur (Bengaluru).

Additionally, he requested that the Jodhpur Express (No. 16508/09) begin and terminate at Mysuru Junction and that the Barmer Express (No. 14805/06) be extended to Mysuru, thereby connecting passengers to major cities such as Pune, Surat, Vadodara, and Ahmedabad.

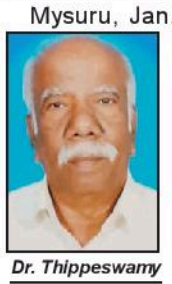
Lingaraju underscored that Mysuru's strong cultural and commercial ties with regions such as Rajasthan, Maharashtra, and Delhi justify enhanced rail connectivity.

Infrastructure demands

The MCCI emphasised the urgent need to widen the Road Under Bridge (RUB) at K.G. Koppal on Mysuru-Ashokapuram section to ease congestion, complete the RUB near Royal Inn Junction on KRS Road at Metagalli to eliminate daily traffic snarls on the Outer Ring Road.

He asked the railways to increase the proposed width of Crawford Hall Junction RUB from 5.5 meters to 7.5 meters in each direction to improve connectivity between Bogadi Road and the Central Business District.

Prof. Thippeswamy no more



Dr. Thippeswamy

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (PM&VNS) - Former Chairman, Department of Studies in Hindi, University of Mysore Prof. (Dr.) Thippeswamy (retd.) passed away at a private hospital in city yesterday. He was 80.

He also served as Visiting Professor at Babu Jagjivan Ram Research Centre, Manasagangothri, University of Mysore.

He leaves behind his wife B.S. Nagarathna, sons K.T. Puneeth Kumar and K.T. Yatish Kumar and host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were held at Veerashaiva Burial Grounds in Vidyaranyapuram this afternoon, according to family sources.

His body was kept at his Kuvempunagar residence for people to pay their last respects.

Dr. Thippeswamy's contribution in the field of translation has been well-known. He has translated various Hindi literary works to Kannada language and vice versa.

Born on June 11, 1946 in Koratagere taluk of Tumakuru district, Dr. Thippeswamy graduated from Government College in Tumakuru. He secured first rank in M.A (Hindi) from University of Mysore and was awarded Ph.D by Kochi University. He served in the University of Mysore, Department of Studies in Hindi, from 1973 till 2006.

Dr. Thippeswamy has received many awards for his literary works including Kendra Sahitya Award, Karnataka Sahitya Academy Award, Premchand National Award, Karnataka Anuvada Sahitya Academy Honorary Award, Goenka Award and Dwivageesh Award among others.

Empathy Drive held to make Bogadi Road safer and accessible

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (BCT&VNS)- Greenpeace India, a Bengaluru-based NGO, in association with Mysore School of Architecture (MSA), held a Public Feedback Board and an Empathy Drive as part of Bogadi Road Re-design under the 'Mysuru Rising' Campaign by engaging directly with street users and motorists to create awareness on supporting people with disabilities to safely navigate the crossing near All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) junction on Bogadi Main Road in city this morning.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Greenpeace campaigner Selomi Garnaik said that the initiative aimed at creating awareness on road safety and to seek public feedback on redesigning Bogadi Road to make it safer, inclusive and accessible.

"Students of Mysore School of Architecture have presented a new design for Bogadi Road, as it is accessed by people with disabilities. The design was displayed to the people to seek their feedback. The volunteers also helped people with disabilities and their parents to safely navigate the crossings through the drive," she added.

Greenpeace India also conducted a similar campaign on Bogadi Road between 3 pm and 5 pm where volunteers were seen holding placards with road safety messages and urging people to follow traffic rules for the benefit of pedestrians and specially-abled.

A stakeholder workshop was recently held to discuss ways to make Bogadi Junction safer, more walkable and accessible for all users. The workshop brought together institutions, disability rights groups, caregivers, vendors and residents.

Organised under the 'Mysuru Rising' Campaign by Greenpeace India in partnership with Mysuru School of Architecture, the event was held at AIISH.

The discussions were guided by a people-first approach to urban planning, which views streets as shared public spaces meant for everyday life, care and movement, rather than merely as traffic corridors.

Design proposals

Architecture students presented design proposals and these were reviewed and refined based on feedback from community members and regular street users.

The focus was on addressing urban accessibility concerns and ensuring that streets serve persons with disabilities, students, elderly pedestrians and daily commuters with safety and dignity.

Citizen groups and residents pointed out that Bogadi Road is a key arterial stretch connecting major educational institutions such as AIISH, the Regional Institute of Education (RIE) and JSS institutions.

However, they said the road currently faces several challenges, including unsafe pedestrian crossings, damaged footpaths, traffic congestion and lack of universal accessibility.

Road audit

Following an initial workshop held in December 2025, Greenpeace India facilitated a community-led accessibility audit at the AIISH Junction on Bogadi Road.

The audit, led by MSA architecture students, involved interactions with caregivers, persons with disabilities and local users, allowing lived experiences to inform design responses.

Urban public space practitioner Deepak Srinivasan said the initiative had enabled residents to collectively reimagine an inclusive and fully accessible Mysuru.

He added that at least eight more such 'Imaginarium' sessions are planned to remain aligned with public aspirations.

MDA asset protection Task Force inactive?

Dedicated Task Force soon to protect MDA properties: Commissioner

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (RK&BCT)- The Task Force formed by the Mysuru Development Authority (MDA) to protect its assets has failed to begin operations, remaining only on paper and earning the label of a "non-functional task force."

Rakshith

MDA Commissioner K.R. Rakshith had issued an order on Oct. 13, 2025, creating a three-team task force of officials to safeguard MDA properties. The move came in response to public complaints about encroachments and unauthorised constructions on MDA lands.

Under the leadership of Executive Engineers M.S. Mahesh and A. Nagesh, the three teams included Special Tahsildars K.V. Rajashekar, Raviprasad, and N.S. Naragund, Manager B.M. Shruthi and staff members T. Manjunath, P. Raghu, P.M. Sachin, S. Gangadhar, Mahadevaswamy, Kempanna and K.C. Umesh.

The Task Force was entrusted with physically identifying encroached or illegally occupied MDA properties, confirming violations, carrying out demolition drives, reclaiming the land and installing signboards and fencing to mark them as MDA assets.

However, even after three months of its formation, the Task Force has not taken up any activity. As a result, MDA properties continue to be encroached upon unchecked.

Commissioner clarifies

Reacting to reports that the Task Force has remained inactive, MDA Commissioner Rakshith told *Star of Mysore* this morning that the officers currently assigned to the Task Force also carry their regular responsibilities and office work.

"These are not exclusive Task Force members and they must continue with their routine duties as well. In the coming days, we will form a dedicated Task Force by engaging retired Police personnel. This proposal has already been approved in the recent MDA Board meeting. Once constituted, the exclusive Task Force will focus solely on identifying encroached MDA assets, evicting squatters and reclaiming the land for MDA," he clarified.

Ajit Pawar dies in plane crash

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Footage aired across social media platforms showed the aircraft's wreckage engulfed in flames. 66-year-old Pawar was travelling to Baramati from Mumbai to address public meetings as part of the campaign for the Feb. 5 Zilla Parishad elections.

Preliminary reports suggest the plane suffered technical issues during its final approach and there was a possible loss of control. Reports said, heavy fog in Baramati could have been the reason behind the aircraft crash. Plane reportedly crashed while passing through a hilly area.

The DGCA also confirmed the incident, saying no person on board survived the crash. According to information, the aircraft was a Learjet, described as a six to eight-seater, with the registration VT-SSK. It had taken off from Mumbai at around 8.10 am, and Air Traffic Control was reportedly alerted to the crash at 9.12 am. There were five passengers, Ajit Pawar, onboard along with two more personnel (1 PSO & 1 attendant) & 2 crew members (pilot in command and the first officer), DGCA said.

PM Narendra Modi is said to have dialled Maharashtra CM Devendra Fadnavis after news of the incident emerged. Fadnavis cancelled his Konkan rally and will head to Baramati along with his deputy Eknath Shinde.

"Ajit Pawar was a leader of the people, having a strong grassroots level connect. He was widely respected as a hard-working personality at the forefront of serving the people of Maharashtra. His understanding of administrative matters and passion for empowering the poor and downtrodden were also noteworthy. His untimely demise is very shocking and saddening. Condolences to his family and countless admirers," PM Modi wrote on X.

The Budget Session of Parliament began today with a joint address of Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha by President Droupadi Murmu. Soon after the conclusion of the Presidential address, the Speaker mourned Pawar's death and adjourned the house. Both the Houses will reconvene tomorrow (Jan. 29) at 11 am.

Malpe boat capsize

One more succumbs; death toll touches 3

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (RK,VVH&BS)- One more person, whose condition was critical following drowning after the boat she was travelling on capsized at Hangarkatta Ship Building Yard in Udupi district on Monday, succumbed at a hospital on Tuesday, taking the death toll in the incident to three.

Disha

Disha (23), a resident of Jalapuri in the city, who was battling for life, has breathed her last. Shankarappa (27) of Harave village in Chamarajanagar district and Sindhu (23) of Mugur village, T. Narasipur taluk in Mysuru district, had died subsequently, in the mishap.

While the bodies of Shankarappa and Sindhu, were shifted to their native places after post-mortem on Tuesday, the body of Disha is expected to arrive in the city this evening.

The cremation of Shankarappa was conducted at his native Harave, between the intervening hours of Tuesday midnight and wee hours of Wednesday, at the family-owned agricultural land, it is said.

The victims were among a group of 28 employees from Goalcryst India Private Ltd., a BPO located on Saraswathipuram Main Road in the city, who had gone on a trip to Mangaluru, Udupi and coastal areas, in a Tempo Traveller on Sunday.

On Monday, the ill-fated BPO employees had boarded a boat named Wave Rider, at Delta Beach Point in Malpe. Though life jackets had been reportedly given to all aboard the boat, some among them had allegedly shown negligence by not wearing life jacket, it is said. As the boat was cruising towards St. Mary's Island, the boat capsized near Hangarkatta Ship Building Yard, at the confluence of Swarna river and the ocean. While two had tragically drowned on the spot, the remaining had been rescued and shifted to a hospital, with the help of locals, it is learnt. Saraswathipuram Police Inspector Purushotham is coordinating with his counterparts in Malpe Police Station in the case, it is said.

Free HPV vaccine

- In a first, vaccines to be administered to 8,000 girl children in Mysuru
- Precaution by Health and Family Welfare Dept. against cervical cancer

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (PM&BS)- Under National Immunisation Programme to prevent cervical cancer, the Health and Family Welfare Department in the district is making preparations to administer free Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine to over 8,000 girl children in the age group of 14 to 15 years.

The Medical Officers of Health and Family Welfare Department are provided pre-requisite training, among several other preparations being made by the Department, to carry out the vaccination drive in an effective manner.

Next month?

Speaking to *Star of Mysore*, Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) Officer Dr. Mohammed Shiraz Ahmed said, the HPV vaccination drive is expected to begin from next month. While the private hospitals have been administering vaccine for the past 20 years it is for the first time, the Government is launching the drive to administer HPV vaccine free of cost.

Which hospitals

"The HPV vaccine will be given to the girl child above 14 years and within 15 years, from Government, aided and private educational institutions. The vaccine will be provided at the District Hospital, Taluk Hospital, Community Health Centre and Primary Health Centre, without any criterion — like Below Poverty Line (BPL) or Above Poverty Line (APL) category.

Regular immunisation

Though the target group of children to be administered HPV vaccine have been identified, the HPV vaccine will be included in the regular immunisation drive at schools on Thursdays. The single dose vaccination will be provided, which is essential to shield them from being vulnerable to cervical cancer, throughout their lifespan.

The vaccine will be administered on the left arm, which is considered as safe, without causing any serious side effects, as proven during the related experiments.

In the private medical sector, the girl children above 15 years are provided HPV vaccine in two doses.

Special initiative of State Govt.

Preparations are underway to administer HPV vaccine. ASHA workers are being involved to create awareness among the people about cervical cancer and the HPV vaccine being given to prevent the disease. With Medical Officers already trained on these lines, the immunisation drive will be launched once the vials of the vaccine are received. The vaccine is specially being introduced in the State, with the Government taking a special interest in the immunisation drive.

Dr. Kumaraswamy

—Dr. P.C. Kumaraswamy, DHO, Mysuru

State-level Science Expo, Open Day at JSS Polytech for Differently Abled

Job Fair for Persons with Disabilities tomorrow

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (GA&BNR)- JSS Polytechnic for the Differently Abled (JSS PDA), Mysuru, in association with the Karnataka Science and Technology Academy (KSTA), Bengaluru and The Association of People with Disability (APD), Bengaluru, is organising a three-day inclusive programme from Jan. 29 to 31.

FROM LEFT: ***H.R. Basavaraju of Examination Department, JSS PDA; Mallikarjunaiah of The Association of People with Disability; B. Elangovan, Principal, JSS PDA; M.N. Shivakumaraswamy, HoD, Jewellery Design and Technology (JD&T), JSS PDA and K. Kushal, Training & Placement Officer, JSS PDA, seen during the press meet held at Pathrakarthara Bhavan in city this morning.***

Announcing this at a press meet at Pathrakarthara Bhavan in city this morning, JSS PDA Principal B. Elangovan said that a one-day Job Fair for Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) will be held tomorrow (Jan. 29) from 9 am to 4 pm, providing opportunities for PwDs to interact with inclusive employers and explore employment options.

More than 10 employers and over 200 differently abled candidates are expected to participate.

The State-level Science Expo and Open Day will be conducted on Jan. 30 and 31, showcasing over 50 innovative projects by differently abled students from across the State. The best projects will receive cash prizes, certificates and mementoes, while all participants will receive certificates. Cultural programmes, fun games and a food court will also be part of the Open Day.

The Science Expo and Open Day will be inaugurated on Jan. 30 at 11 am by B. Sadashivaprabhu, Director, Department of Science and Technology, Government of Karnataka, Bengaluru.

Dr. B. Suresh, Pro-Chancellor, JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSSAHER) and Director, Technical Education Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, will be the chief guest. Amshi Prasanna Kumar, Senior Journalist, Mysuru, will be the guest of honour.

The valedictory function will be held on Jan. 31 at 4 pm. Dr. K.G. Basava Kumar, Joint Director, Technical Education Division, JSS Mahavidyapeetha, will be the chief guest.

Lion S. Murthy, Chairman, Deaf Association, Mysuru and Vice-President, Karnataka State Chess Association, will be the guest of honour.

B. Elangovan, Principal, JSS PDA, Mysuru, will preside.

Around 2,500 participants, including NGO representatives, parents, employers, alumni, special school students and the general public, are expected to attend the event.

For details, contact Coordinators N.M Shivakumaraswamy, HoD of Jewellery Design and Technology (JD&T), on Mob: 94488-26306 or K. Kushal, Training & Placement Officer, on Mob: 80507-09919.

Building on MDA CA site demolished

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After the transfer, it becomes the responsibility of the Mysuru City Corporation, Town Municipal Councils, City Municipal Councils and Town Panchayats to protect these assets. However, officials often lack clarity about which lands belong to the MDA and which fall under their respective jurisdictions.

Due to poor monitoring by the authorities, vested interests have taken advantage of the confusion and encroached upon several properties. Although it is the duty of local body officials to remove unauthorised constructions, their inaction has emerged as a major reason for the growing number of encroachments.

Digital arrest fraud: Senior citizens lose Rs. 1.50 crore

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (PM&BCT)- Cyber criminals, posing as officers from Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI), trapped an elderly couple from Vivekanandanagar in a 'digital arrest' scam and cheated them of Rs. 1.50 crore.

A case has been registered at the City's CEN (Cyber Economic and Narcotics) Crime Police Station. On Jan. 2, the fraudsters called via WhatsApp claiming to be from TRAI and threatened that the couple's Aadhaar card had been misused.

They said the call would be transferred to the Mumbai Cyber Branch. Later, through a WhatsApp video call, the fraudsters told the couple that their bank accounts needed to be verified and declared that they were under 'digital arrest'.

They instructed the victims to transfer all the money from their accounts for inspection and told them that their money would be returned once the inspection is completed. Believing the claim, the elderly man transferred Rs. 40,00,000 from his account, while his wife transferred Rs. 60,50,000 to the bank account specified by the fraudsters.

When the promised refund did not arrive even after three days, the couple realised they had been duped. Based on their complaint, the CEN Police have registered an FIR and have begun an investigation.

THE LIGHTER SIDE

By Dr. R. Balasubramaniam

Living in the shadow of other people's backpacks

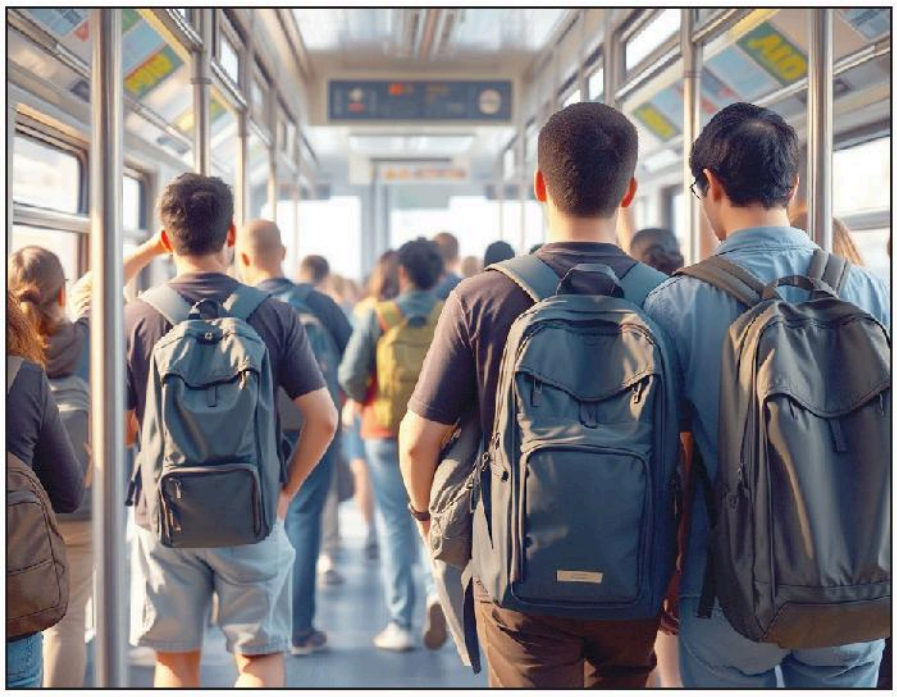
I live among people who carry laptop bags and extend their personal space with confidence. The bag becomes a second spine and the person walks as if this new shape came with a licence. They turn and the bag turns after them, swinging like a thought that arrives late. When contact happens the owner keeps going. The bag has spoken and the world must listen.

This back extension shows up on footpaths, in shops and in places where lines form and dissolve without warning. I meet it when I step onto a bus. I step ahead and the bag steps back. I pause and the bag leans in. We perform a dance where only one partner knows the tune. The owner looks ahead with eyes fixed on a screen or a point in the future. The bag explores the present.

The bag holds a laptop, a charger and cables. It also holds a bottle, a book and a lunch box. It has mass and intention. It does not ask permission. When the owner turns to check a message, the bag sweeps an arc. It taps a shoulder, nudges a rib, brushes a face. The owner remains calm. The bag did not feel anything, so nothing happened.

I have learned that avoiding contact is an art and a science. It starts with reading shoulders. Shoulders tilt before the bag moves. Feet shift and the bag follows. I watch for elbows since elbows and bags share a friendship. I keep a distance that feels polite to the owner and safe to me. This distance changes when the bus brakes or when a train door opens and gravity joins the crowd.

Metro trains add speed to the lesson.



Doors open and the bag leads the way. It enters first and claims space before the owner arrives. I stand aside and wait for the bag to finish its speech. Inside the carriage, the bag chooses a seat. It rests on the seat ahead or the seat beside as if it bought a ticket. A person with a cane stands nearby. The bag remains seated. The owner looks away. The bag enjoys the ride.

Air travel brings a new chapter. At the departure gate, passengers jostle for a seat as they await the start of the boarding process. Our bag owner decides that his bag needs an exclusive seat for itself. One needs to pick a fight to reclaim this seat for human occupation. Then there is the bus that takes you to the plane. It fills fast. People stand with arms raised and bags raised with them. The ceiling listens to a chorus of zips and sighs. I try to breathe. A bag presses into my back. Another meets my knee. The owner smiles at a joke on a phone. The bag listens to my thoughts unperturbed.

I carry a bag too. Mine holds things that follow me through a day. It has weight and it asks for loyalty from my spine. I accept the task and tell myself that wheels make noise and ask for roads that do not exist. I choose the bag and the bag chooses me. I try to keep it close. I keep it aware. When I turn, I turn with care. This feels like a small act with a wide effect.

The bag culture crosses age lines. Students carry bags filled with plans. Workers carry bags filled with proof. People who have seen a lot, carry bags filled with habits. The bag does not judge. It simply exists and extends. The owner learns to forget it. This forgetting becomes a skill. It allows speed. It allows focus. It also allows impact.

I have been struck by a bag while reaching for a handle. I have been boxed by a bag while stepping aside. I have been surprised by a bag while tying a shoe. Each time I consider a speech. Each time I choose silence. The bag has already moved on. The owner is gone. The moment remains with me and my ribs.

There is a quiet rule that space belongs to those who claim it. Bags claim space without words. They are polite thieves. They take a seat, a breath, a step. The owner benefits without noticing. The rest of us adapt. We learn angles and timing. We learn patience. We learn to read backs like weather.

One day I sit and place my bag at my feet. My back feels light. A person stands nearby. We exchange a look that says thanks without sound. The bus moves. The train arrives. The plane waits. The world continues. I carry what I need and leave room for what others need. The bag stays with me. It does not lead me or trouble others. Maybe this is the only baggage that I can be proud of.

[Dr. R. Balasubramaniam is the Founder of Swami Vivekananda Youth Movement (SVYM). 'The Lighter Side' is a series of satirical articles meant to bring a smile by highlighting the funny side of everyday life.]

De Paul's 'Diamond Beneath Your Feet' Centre of Excellence

MoU signed to deliver global internships, scholarships, technology labs and international pathways for students

Mysuru, Jan. 28- De Paul Institutions, Mysuru, inaugurated the Centre of Excellence (CoE) titled "Diamond Beneath Your Feet - A Pathway To Life" recently at the De Paul campus in Belagola.

The Centre is aimed at enabling future-ready skill development and global academic exposure for school and college students. The CoE was inaugurated following the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) between De Paul Institutions, the International Institute of Medical Science & Technology Council (IIMSTC), India and the Global Finance Training Institute (GFTI), India.

The initiative will support students with structured interventions in technology, scholarships, internships, professional qualificationsandinternationaladmissions.

The launch event was attended by Prof. Dr. Shivachitappa, Vice-Chancellor, Mandya University; Prof. Dr. Venkata Ramana, Registrar (Evaluation), Mandya University; Dr. Sreedhar Saraswathy, Chairman, IIMSTC; Dr. Sanju Abraham, MD, TNASDC; Shelly Karnati, representing Global Universities Consortium; Nandini Thakur, representing KSDC & GUC; CA Narayanan Nambiar, Chairman, Global FTI; along with De Paul leadership Fr. Dr. Baiju Antony, Principal, De Paul College and Fr. Anish Xavier, Principal, De Paul International Residential School.

Under the CoE framework, students will gain access to EV and Drone Labs, Virtual Reality (VR) simulation-based learning and structured programmes for global research, internships and faculty/ student exchange. A key feature of the initiative is the inclusion of IFSPD Europe programmes for learners in India:

* PORT Programme for school and college students (career orientation, portfolio creation and exposure).

* GRIP - Global Research & Internship Programme (a structured four-month applied research and internship model)

The organisers stated that the Centre aims to institutionalise long-term transformation by ensuring ethical scholarship facilitation, transparency in international admissions and global readiness, reinforcing the message that "Education is not charity, but transformation."

Five-day *Uttarayana* concludes at JCAC

Mysuru musicians commemorate Saint Thyagaraja in the finale

Art alone can expand minds, unite society: Dr. Nagabharana

Mysuru, Jan. 28 (VVH&BCT)- Acclaimed director and theatre personality Dr. T.S. Nagabharana said that a nation which preserves its cultural wealth will prosper and earn global recognition. He stressed that art plays a vital role in sustaining and nurturing human life and therefore deserves greater encouragement in the present times.

He was speaking at the valedictory ceremony of the five-day 'Uttarayana' Art and Culture Festival held at Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC) in Vijayanagar 1st Stage last evening.

Dr. Nagabharana observed that modern society has become highly commercialised, with even service often viewed as a form of trade. "Commercialisation is visible in every field today. However, cultural work is about connecting minds and it cannot be bound by commerce," he said.

Recalling the rapid expansion of cities, he noted that while localities increased, platforms for cultural interaction did not grow in the same way. "As spaces expanded, minds shrank. Art and artists alone can help broaden minds. Cultural awareness creates new expressions while preserving traditions and this process strengthens society," he remarked.

He described the 'Uttarayana' festival organised at JCAC as a complete success and said, such initiatives were essential to nurture cultural consciousness.

Ganakala Bhushana Vid. R.K. Padmanabha praised JCAC for its efforts in promoting Indian culture and giving it a new expression and platform. He said, cultural activities of this kind should be held regularly.

Noted orator Prof. M. Krishnegowda said that art alone has the power to eliminate narrow-mindedness in human beings. He pointed out that excessive focus on money and politics weakens cultural values and urged people to engage more with art and culture to remain truly human.

JCAC Chairman and philanthropist Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy, his wife Kusuma Shenoy, daughter Amrutha, son-in-law Ravikumar, Vidushi Dr. Kripa Phadke, Vid. Manasa Nayana, Vid. Sai Shiv, Dr. Rama V. Bennur and others were present on the occasion.

FROM LEFT: ***Noted orator Prof. M. Krishnegowda,*** *Ganakala Bhushana* ***Vid. R.K. Padmanabha, acclaimed film director and theatre personality Dr. T.S. Nagabharana and JCAC Chairman and Philanthropist Dr. M. Jagannath Shenoy, seen during the valedictory of 'Uttarayana' Art and Culture Festival held at Jagannatha Centre for Art and Culture (JCAC) in Vijayanagar 1st Stage, Mysuru, last evening.***

Rotary Mysore Midtown presents Zeus CSR Award-2026

Rotary Mysore Midtown Zeus CSR Award-2026 was presented to Kaynes Foundation at a function held at Hotel Southern Star in city recently. Jayaram P. Sampath, CFO, Kaynes Technologies, who received the award on behalf of Kaynes Foundation, is seen with *(standing from left)* ***Rtn. Raghavendra, CTO, Kaynes Technologies, Rtn. Abhilash Nair, MD, Zeus Biotech, Indira Nair, Director, Zeus Biotech, Rtn. Abhilash, Joint Secretary, Rtn. Rakesh Babu, President, Rtn. R. Guru, Chairman, Ranga Rao & Sons (chief guest) and Rtn. Rangaraj, Vocational Service Director.***

WORD OF THE DAY

Oaf

Pronunciation: OHF (noun).
Meaning: Oaf is used to refer to someone as big, clumsy and slow-witted.
Origin: In long-ago England, it was believed that elves sometimes secretly exchanged their babies for human babies — a belief that served as an explanation when parents found themselves with a baby that failed to meet expectations or desires: these parents believed that their real baby had been stolen by elves and that a changeling had been left in its place. The label for such a child was auf, or alfe, (meaning "an elf's or a goblin's child"), which was later altered to form our present-day oaf. Auf is likely from the Middle English alven or elven, meaning "elf" or "fairy." Today, the word oaf is no longer associated with babies and is instead applied to anyone who appears especially unintelligent or graceless.
Example: "Let me give you a rose. Well, just an imaginary rose. 'What?' 'What's the occasion?' 'What for?' Because I want to participate in an act of kindness. ... It's impossible, even for a blustering, clumsy oaf like me, to ignore the positive effects of a rose in hand." — Anthony Campbell, The Advertiser-Gleam (Guntersville, Alabama), 24 Oct. 2025

THE ODD WORD

Oblectation

Enjoyment; pleasure.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Out of the woods

Meaning: The phrase 'Out of the woods' is used to describe clear of danger or difficulty.
Origin: Being lost in the woods is a terrifying experience today, just as it was centuries ago, where the origin of the phrase 'Out of the woods' can be found. Abigail Adams used it in a November, 1800 letter found in *Papers of Benjamin Franklin.* A later instance of the term is found in Charles Kingsley's 1886 novel *Hereward the Wake.*
Example: "Joe was sick two weeks ago and we were very worried, but now it looks like he is out of the woods."

QUOTE BOX

Talk to yourself once in a day, otherwise you may miss meeting an intelligent person in this world.—**Swami Vivekananda**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

Answer: You are out of your mind.

SUDOKU

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Answer to previous puzzle

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2	4	1	5	8	9	6	3	7
9	3	6	1	7	2	8	5	4
8	5	7	6	4	3	9	1	2

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Venetian magistrate
5 Instant (colloq)
9 Appliance that holds a piece of work and guides the tool operating upon it
12 Impetuous ardour
13 System of bidding in Bridge
14 Sugar suffix ?
15 Large scale
16 Unit of computer storage
18 Oyster's gem
20 Snow runners
21 Yes
24 This can be made in a diary
27 Healthcare facility
31 Debtor's note
32 Revise copy
33 Concubine's room
34 Eight as a prefix
35 Adult males
36 Wrong in opinion
38 Contact author Carl ___
41 Norse deity
42 An ancient Greek portico
44 Willow tree
48 Curved sword
52 Old-fashioned name for mother
53 An electrically charged particle
54 Cut, snicker - "seen" anagram?
55 Send out
56 Swamp or morass
57 Of ___ : of the past
58 ___ Contractor : ex-India cricket captain?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

T	N	T	■	P	E	P	S	■	C	R	I	B
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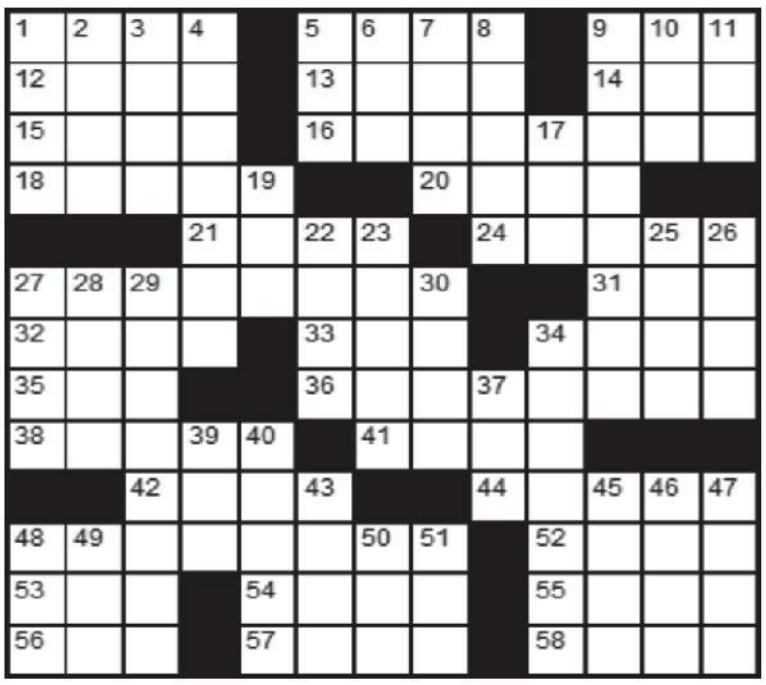
A	T	O	P	■	E	T	A	■	E	M	M	A
T	H	O	R	N	■	H	U	T	■	A	Y	R
M	O	R	O	S	E	■	G	A	G	■	■	■
■	■	■	V	E	R	B	■	N	A	I	L	S
J	O	N	I	■	R	A	I	N	Y	D	A	Y
A	W	E	D	■	O	B	O	E	■	E	O	N
R	E	T	E	■	R	E	N	D	■	A	S	E

DOWN

1 Beauty is but skin ____?
2 Greek jug - "pole" broken?
3 Greek goddess of the earth
4 Put into code
5 ___ packed : very full?
6 Frozen water
7 Perplexes, becomes or makes hazy
8 Small, flat, thin piece
9 Control lever of an aeroplane?
10 First in short
11 Golly!
17 Refuse-container
19 Hawaiian garland
22 Tiny particle
23 He has __ __ : "He is likely to be in trouble"? (3,2)
25 Memory alone
26 Chinese money
27 Cloth borders
28 Halls, theatres
29 New York State prison (4,4)
30 ___ out : hit or speak out angrily?
34 Rowers
37 Additionally
39 Automated Teller Mach.
40 Loud
43 __ __ time : never? (2,2)
45 P. Simon's '____ Rock' (1,2,1)
46 Moslem leader
47 Bollywood's ___ Agnihotri
48 One's kin or kindred
49 Dove-call
50 Ireland's ___ Lingus
51 Female ruff



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

PNB TIK QIAL QNML RMJLKZV JK FYN QNKFDV UP ULTNQJKH

QNML JKFLMLVFLZ JK NFDLM XLNXEL FDIK PNB TIK JK FYN

PLIMV UP FMPJKH FN HLF XLNXEL JKFLMLVFLZ JK PNB.

TODAY'S CLUE: X EQUALS P

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: A man who values a good night's rest will not lie down with enmity in his heart, if he can help it.

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

- **Sangam Theatre** — Ph: 2520494
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- **Padma Theatre** — Ph: 2521923
  Border 2 (H) - 4 Shows
- **Woodlands Theatre** — Ph: 2422871
  Landlord (K) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — Mob: 99008-20093
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- **Gayathri Theatre** — Ph: 2443568
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  The Devil (K) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
  Jockey (Ta) - 2 Shows; *Hot Spot 2 Much (Ta)* - 2 Shows
- **Balaji Theatre** — Mob: 98863-25207
  Border 2 (H) - 4 Shows

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS Ph: 4240422 4241800

Border 2 (H)	(S-1)	10.20 am, 10.10 pm
	(S-4)	6.40 pm
Avatar Fire & Ash (E-3D)	(S-1)	2.10 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	(S-1)	6.05 pm
Cult (2026) (K)	(S-2)	9.45 pm, 7.15 pm
Chatha Pacha (Ma)	(S-2)	1.00 pm, 10.30 pm
Mankatha (Ta)	(S-2)	4.00 pm
Magic Mushrooms (Ma)	(S-3)	10.15 am
Jockey (Ta)	(S-3)	1.05 pm
Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu (Te)	(S-3)	4.05 pm
3D Mercy (E)	(S-3)	7.40 pm
Baby Girl (Ma)	(S-3)	10.05 pm
Landlord (K)	(S-4)	9.25 am, 3.35 pm, 10.30 pm
Mark (K)	(S-4)	12.40 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Landlord (K)	:	10.40 am, 1.40 pm, 3.35 pm
		6.35 pm, 9.30 pm
Border 2 (H)	:	11.00 am, 1.00 pm,
		7.30 pm, 9.35 pm
Cult (2026) (K)	:	12.30 pm, 4.40 pm, 6.25 pm
Avatar Fire & Ash (K-3D)	:	2.45 pm
Hot Spot 2 Much (Ta)	:	4.45 pm
Baby Girl (Ma)	:	7.45 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Baby Girl (Ma)	:	9.40 am, 7.40 pm
Border 2 (H)	:	10.15 am, 2.20 pm, 6.25 pm
		9.30 pm, 10.30 pm
Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu (Te)	:	10.45 am, 6.10 pm
Chatha Pacha (Ma)	:	11.30 am, 10.20 am
Cult (2026) (K)	:	12.10 pm, 3.30 pm,
		6.50 pm, 10.10 pm
Landlord (K)	:	12.15 pm, 3.30 pm,
		6.45 pm, 10.00 pm
Mankatha (Ta)	:	12.20 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	2.05 pm, 3.35 pm
Marty Supreme (E)	:	2.20 pm, 9.50 pm
Primate (E)	:	5.25 pm
3D Mercy (E)	:	7.30 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Dhurandhar (H)	:	9.55 am, 2.00 pm, 6.05 pm
Border 2 (H)	:	10.15 am, 2.20 pm,
		6.25 pm, 10.30 pm
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		6.40 pm, 10.20 pm
Landlord (K)	:	12.30 pm, 3.25 pm,
		7.05 pm, 10.00 pm
Baby Girl (Ma)	:	10.10 pm

Rotary International District 3181 to host 10th District Conference 'Sneha Sourabha' in city

Mysuru, Jan. 28- Rotary International District (RID) 3181 will host its 10th District Conference, 'Sneha Sourabha', from Jan. 30 to Feb. 1 at Silent Shores Resort, Mysuru. Inauguration will be held at 4.30 pm on Jan. 30.

The three-day Conference will bring together Rotarians from across the district for learning, cultural programmes, fellowship and recognition of impactful service initiatives.

Eminent speakers and senior Rotary leaders will address key themes aligned with Rotary's mission of Service Above Self. Some of the speakers include Swami Bodhamayananda, PDG Rtn. G.S. Sekhon, RIPR PDG Rtn. Yogesh Mohanji Gupta, edupreneur Aisshwarya DKS Hegde and Captain Raghu Raman.

Significantly, this Conference is a charity event and the proceeds from the event will be contributed towards Rotary's Polio Fund, supporting Rotary International's global commitment to make polio history.

Organised under the leadership of Rtn. P.K. Ramakrishna, District Governor, Rotary International District 3181 and Rtn. Dr. Prahlad, Chairman, District Conference, the Conference reflects the spirit of friendship, service and collective responsibility towards the community.

RID 3181 comprises Clubs across Dakshina Kannada, Kodagu, Chamarajanagar and Mysuru, actively engaged in service projects across education, healthcare, women empowerment, youth development and community welfare. For details, contact Mob: 99801-57799.

EVENTS TODAY (JAN. 28)

- **Priyadarshan Samskrutika Vedike, Srirangapatna, Mandya:** Ramayana Discourse Series by Vid. G.N. Bhatta, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.** [Mob: 90193-76365]
- **Sadhana Mandira:** Special training sessions to perform simple and diligent Saraswati Puja by Swami Hamsananda, Sri Prasanna Mahaganapati Temple, Ganapati Temple Road, N.R. Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 7.15 pm.**
- **Sri Subramanyaswamy Temple, Vishweshwaranagar:** 60th Annual Taipusam Mahotsava 2026, Devaranama programme by Raghavendra Ratnakar and troupe; Devaranama and Devotional Songs by M.N. Kamakshi of Sri Lakshmikanta Bhajana Mandali, Temple premises, **6.30 pm.**
- **Rangavalli, Mysuru:** Staging of play 'Tatte idli raddhantha,' written & directed by Mayasandra Krishnaprasad, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **7 pm.**

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Mankatha (Ta)	:	3.35 pm
3D Mercy (E)	:	4.40 pm
Baby Girl (Ma)	:	7.20 pm
Dhurandhar (H)	:	10.10 pm
The Raja Saab (K)	:	10.20 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Landlord (K)	:	9.55 am, 1.10 pm, 7.05 pm
3D Mercy (E)	:	10.40 am, 4.20 pm
Cult (2026) (K)	:	1.00 pm, 6.40 pm, 10.00 pm
Hot Spot 2 Much (Ta)	:	1.00 pm
Border 2 (H)	:	1.50 pm, 5.55 pm, 10.00 pm
Chatha Pacha (Ma)	:	3.35 pm
Baby Girl (Ma)	:	4.25 pm
Teertharoopa Tandeyavarige (K)	:	6.25 pm
Magic Mushrooms (Ma)	:	9.30 pm
Mana Shankara Vara Prasad Garu (Te)	:	10.20 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

Orchids student at World Book Fair

Prapti Belliappa

Mysuru, Jan. 28- Prapti Belliappa, a Grade 5 student of The Orchids Public School, Mysuru, has achieved a notable milestone by authoring a series of books titled "Little Prapti's Little Stories," with three editions released under the same title.

The young author's books were showcased at the prestigious World Book Fair held at Pragati Maidan, New Delhi, on Jan. 17.

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